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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

If ever there was a victim of insane journalism, it is Miss Katherine Elkins, the daughter of a prominent West Virginia family. Would that someone could call off the disreputable hounds of undesirable publicity!

The publication of the interchange of letters between President Roosevelt and a member of the victorious Harvard football team is interesting. We are surprised, however, that Roosevelt didn't suggest to VerWilt that he is a Dutchman, too.

The "Vermont Northern" railroad company will perhaps bar watching to note transportation developments through Orange, Windsor and Washington counties, with an outlet into a big railroad system. The bill to incorporate the same has already passed the House.

The Rutland railroad has engaged a young but energetic lawyer to take the place of its old and tried attorney, Judge and ex-Congressman Powers. Attorney Edwin W. Lawrence of Rutland and recently in the attorney general's office in Washington, is also a capable man in his profession.

One of the important subjects still before the legislature is that of taxation evils. These cannot be rectified in an hour, though in this matter The Times believes the legislature can do no better than follow out the recommendations of the special commission which spent nearly two years' time in special study of the subject.

Dan Keefe of the longshoremen's union vigorously denied that he was looking for office when, before the presidential election, he came out for the Republican nominee, but apparently he could not stay the hand of President Roosevelt, for Keefe has just been appointed commissioner-general of immigration. Perhaps Keefe didn't care to stay the president's hand, either. At any rate he has accepted the responsible post to succeed that former Vermont, Frank P. Sargent, recently deceased.

CHANGING STEVENS BRANCH.

The project to change the course of the stream running in the rear of the business buildings on the westerly side of Main street is as much a benefit to the owners of property next to the stream as it is to the city, and the abutters should join in the movement to finance the change. The proposed scheme is too valuable to be given up. Will the abutters do a fair share with the city? It is the exact moment to say so, as the enabling act will need to be put through the legislature within three weeks at the outside limit.

THE VERMONT ATTORNEY GENERAL.

The office of attorney general in Vermont has been so thoroughly linked with the name of Clark C. Pitts that it will take more than the usual caution to use the new designation of Attorney General Sargent, the office having been assumed yesterday by John G. Sargent of Ludlow. The new attorney general is fit for the place, which is perhaps saying all that is necessary.

At this time it may be proper to express to the retiring attorney general the quite general satisfaction which the people of Vermont have felt with his service. There may have been localized dissatisfaction with some particular acts of Mr. Pitts, but we believe that in the main his terms have placed the office of attorney general on a high plane, both as regards integrity of purpose and legal skill.

BEING ON THE SAFE SIDE.

One can readily understand the spirit which caused Senator Gibson of Brattleboro to be anxious to resume his work in the Vermont legislature with the reopening after Thanksgiving the same kind of a spirit which seems to have taken hold of all the members of the assembly; but there was a bit of doubt as to the wisdom of his action in going from a house which had just been quarantined for smallpox to mingle among his fellows. He may or may not have been himself infected with the disease; time alone will tell that; but meanwhile it was the safer proposition to remain more or less in seclusion. If there is any virtue in quarantine regulations, then most certainly our responsible and educated citizens should adhere to them even at a little personal discomfort and inconvenience. The continued spread of the disease in Brattleboro is due to the laxity of the quarantine. The health officer in Montpelier, Dr. Lindsay, in explaining the fears of the public in his city to Senator Gibson, evidently did not intend to lay himself liable to the same criticism. And now that Senator Gibson has deferred to public opinion and gone to his home, the matter has been satisfactorily settled.



They say, "Hair is the crowning glory of women" but to men, it's certainly the Hat; that is, if the right man gets the right Hat.

Here it's sure to be right, because we study the shape of the head and the form of the face more than the size of the pocket book.

You know at some stores the clerk says "How much do you want to pay?"

"Two dollars."

"Here's your Hat."

But at our store Hat-fitting is a careful study.

WE CLEAN, PRESS AND REPAIR CLOTHING.



174 North Main St., Barre, Vt.

NOTES AND COMMENT ON THE LEGISLATURE

The committee on fish and game held a meeting on Tuesday at which it was decided to report a bill favorably allowing pickerel fishing through the ice in all waters of the state except those in which members of the trout family made their home.

Edward H. Forbush of Boston, ornithologist of the Massachusetts board of agriculture, will speak in the hall of Representatives on Thursday evening on the hunter's license bill. This bill has passed the Senate but has not yet been considered in the House.

It is understood that the joint temperance committee will report favorably a license bill providing for the appointment of one state license commissioner by the governor who shall appoint three license commissioners in each town voting for the sale of intoxicating liquor. The committee some time ago decided to favor the bill turning over the moneys received from the licenses to the state instead of the towns which voted license. The state treasurer will later turn over 50 per cent. of these receipts to all the towns in the state regardless of whether they voted yes or no.

For More Knowledge of Human Body.

A hearing was given before the committee on education in the Senate chamber last evening on the bill calling for increased instruction in hygiene and temperance in the public schools. Mr. DeBoer stated that he had received many letters from the committee from various granges and ministers of churches favoring the bill. He understood that the bill had even been read and commended in some of the pulpits. Mr. Miller of Bethel, the author of the bill, read a letter from Frank Plimley, congressman-elect, in which he endorsed the bill. C. J. Ferguson, president of the anti-saloon league, didn't know whether the law was needed or not but if it was he favored it.

Principal Rodgers of the Montpelier high school said there was a lot of ignorance along the lines of the knowledge of the human body among teachers and pupils and that it ought to be attended to. He did not know that we had enough law now if it was properly enforced. State Superintendent M. S. Stone read the opinion of the district superintendents on certain points of the bill. Few of them favored the penalty idea for non-compliance with the provisions of the proposed law.

Representative Howe of Bennington spoke for Superintendent Varney of the Montpelier schools. Mr. Varney taught for twelve years in Minnesota where a similar law to the proposed one was in operation. He believed that it was a failure because it required so much instruction that the pupils tired of it in so large doses. Mrs. Denny of Montpelier favored the bill if it was necessary and she believed it was although she paid the Montpelier schools the compliment of being the most enlightened in respect to instruction along these lines of any in the state. Miss Edith Wells, formerly of Tunbridge, now of Boston, gave a long discourse in which she heartily favored the bill. The number of the bill is 484.

ORATORY OVER PAINT.

Several Paint Manufacturers Appear Before Legislature.

Several paint manufacturers appeared before the general committee on the proposed Church paint bill. It was an interesting hearing and developed more or less oratory although it did not end anywhere in particular. Benjamin Moore, president of the company bearing his name and also president of the Eastern Paint Grinders association, spoke for nearly two hours, in which he discussed the various bills in different states.

His argument in a nut shell was that he did not think the compelling of labeling on paint was fair. He thought it would be just if this was insisted upon to require the labeling of soap, cigars, silk, cotton and other things. He didn't think that a paint manufacturer with a reputation should be obliged to put on a formula and allow his com-

petitor to step up with exactly the same thing. He favored the Massachusetts bill which forbids labeling in a manner tending to deceive the purchaser.

After Mr. Moore had gone over the whole question of paint, oil, varnish, pigments, and the general situation of the country if this labeling idea continued, somebody asked if he thought the Massachusetts law would protect the ordinary consumer from fraud and he replied that it would if a person used ordinary judgment in buying. Somebody asked him how a person could be supposed to know what he was buying in paint when the manufacturers themselves did not know what was in their competitor's paint. He maintained that a consumer should place some reliance on his local dealer's judgment and honesty and the paint manufacturer necessarily was turning out a good article to the dealer in order to keep up his trade. S. M. Evans of New York, chairman of the legislative committee of the paint association, made a few brief remarks and asked the legislators to consider a clause in the bill to protect a manufacturer who was selling under contract to another corporation a paint for a certain purpose. He thought that as long as the paint was made by a manufacturer to meet the needs of the special business of a corporation, the manufacturer should be protected from giving away his secret.

Several others spoke and nearly all of the paint men did not believe the Church bill just. There were five men present from Boston: J. B. Lord, E. Cole, H. A. Robbins, S. H. Johnson and H. C. Barrows, members of the legislative committee of the H. E. Paint, Oil and Varnish club.

A. A. SMITH & BRO.

CLOTHING SALE

Colder today and will be from now on. You need a heavier suit of clothes, one that's in style, made of good stuff and that will wear and look well for all winter and more. Overcoat, too, you'll need. Don't wait longer and half freeze thinking you can skip buying a new one this winter. We've a big stock here, and we're turning it into cash as fast as mighty low prices will do it.

\$10.00 Suits and Overcoats,	\$4.93
\$12.50 Suits and Overcoats,	7.98
\$15.00 Suits and Overcoats,	9.93
\$17.50 Suits and Overcoats,	12.43
\$18.50 Suits and Overcoats,	12.95
\$21.00 and 22.50 Suits and Overcoats,	14.93

Underwear Special

Here's the biggest underwear bargain we've seen outside of New York this year. It comes just in the nick of time, too, when cold days make you shiver for more clothing. An all wool garment, worth \$1.25 to \$1.50, shirts double-breasted, drawers double-breasted and every detail the best. Selling now for 89c. Other grades, 25c to \$3.00. Our underwear stock is the largest in these parts.

FUR COAT TALK

Why rent a fur coat or go without one when you know you actually ought to have one? When such trades in fur, fur lined and fur trimmed coats are put before you as the following, there's no excuse for your not having one.

\$35.00 all fur, moth proof Coat.....	\$24.50
\$40.00 all fur, moth proof Coat.....	29.75
\$65.00 Coonskin, moth proof Coat.....	49.50
Others from \$11.75 up.	

Cold Weather Sweaters

Never in all our experience have we had a better, larger line of sweaters than we have been selling at our big reduction sale, which is still going on with full force. For both men and boys.

75c and \$1.00 Sweaters...	49c
\$1.50 Sweaters.....	98c
2.00 Sweaters.....	1.49
3.00 Sweaters.....	1.98
3.50 Sweaters.....	2.49
4.00 Sweaters.....	2.98

Come in today—look around, buy if you like, but step in anyway.

A. A. SMITH & BRO.

Men's Outfitters.
 Miles' Granite Block, - - Barre, Vt.

The Popcorn Seller.

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Several brides were telling each other where and how they first met their husbands. Finally one told her experience in a story as follows:

"Last summer," she said, "we spent as usual at our place, Fennell, in the mountains. We had a house full of guests, as usual, and one of the men—I consider it a breach of confidence for any girl to reveal the name of a suitor, so I will call him Mr. Beach—was devoted to me."

"I see," remarked the other, "you wish to conceal the denouement. To call your lover by his real name would spoil your story. Go on."

"I liked Mr. Beach very much, but he seemed rather prosaic. I wished for something more showy. Mother said that a practical man would wear better than a showy one, and I have found since my marriage that she was right."

"Oh, dear, why didn't you make it more of a mystery?"

"One day a circus came to town. We young people agreed that we would attend a performance, and all went to the tent in a body. We climbed the board seats to a convenient height, sitting in a bunch. Mr. Beach being beside me. We were much too early for the show, but enjoyed ourselves watching the country people come in. Near us a young fellow was arranging his wares, consisting of popcorn cakes. As soon as he had them laid out on his table, or rather, board, he took up some packages and, holding up one, passed around the ring, dragging one leg after the other, the way circus people do, drawing:

"These celebrated popcorn cakes are made of popcorn grown in the vale of Cashmere under the glow of the radiant faces of the most beautiful women of the world. Only 5 cents a package. Warranted fresh and luscious to the taste."

"What do you know about the vale of Cashmere?" called Mr. Beach, buying a package of the popcorn.

"Mother's got a book of poems by a Mickey called Tom Moore," said the fellow, handing up the change. And he strutted on with, 'Here's your celebrated popcorn cakes grown on the fertile plains of Palestine,' etc.

"The audience began to guy him good naturedly, but he smiled at any one doing so with a bewitching smile. Indeed, every one was watching him and wondering where next his celebrated popcorn would come from. He continued his rounds till there was a flourish of half a dozen dingy brass instruments, and the performance commenced.

"The only attractive feature of the show was that the actors were fine looking young men. They seemed rather amateurish, their performance consisting principally of gymnastic stunts. We stayed till the end, however, the girls of our party being interested in the fine appearance of the young Ajaxes."

"We had gone home, and I was dressing for dinner when, looking out of my window, I saw a young man dressed in the height of fashion coming up the walk. In a few minutes Susan handed me a card and a note of introduction from my friend, Adele Perkins. As soon as I had finished my toilet I went down into the drawing room to greet the caller.

"I never was so puzzled in my life. I was sure I had seen the man before, but where I could not tell. I was looking at him, trying in vain to place him, when his face lighted up with a smile. Then the truth—the undeniable truth—broke in upon me. He was the popcorn seller of the circus."

"Heaven!" exclaimed the listener, raising her hands.

"There he stood, evidently enjoying my surprise, while I, who had extended my hand, drew back.

"I haven't come," he said, "to sell you a cake of the celebrated popcorn from the sunny land of Brazil. I have come to call upon the friend of my cousin, Adele Perkins. But before asking to be treated as a guest I will explain that the company of performers you saw today are all fellow students of mine at college. They need what they make in this manner to enable them to pursue their studies. I, on the contrary, have been born with a silver spoon in my mouth. But I am a practical chap, and my father, being of the same mind as myself, prefers that I shall work my way through college as a preparation for the duties that are expected to fall to me when I have finished my education. I have therefore joined my chums as popcorn seller and make bold to say that I keep up my end of the profits."

"My dear, you can imagine my astonishment at hearing this howling swell tell how he came to be a member of a circus company. I invited him to dinner, but he declined because if he accepted he would be too late for the evening performance. After dinner I returned to my room, feeling a headache, and taking a maid, slipped out a back door and went to the circus. We had barely got seated when the popcorn seller strutted by. I was curious to hear where his popcorn would come from this time."

"Where?"

"From the shining hills nestling about the south pole."

"And the denouement?"

"I never could banish the popcorn seller's smile."

"And where did Mr. Beach come to?"

"He didn't come in at all; he went out."

ADELAIDE RUTH HILL.

GRANITEVILLE.

At the next meeting of the W. C. O. P., Monday evening, Dec. 7, all members are requested to be present, as business of importance will come up before the lodge. Per order Chief Ranger.

JINGLES AND JESTS

Had Both Kinds.

Brown—Did you ever have absent treatment?
 Jones—Oh, yes, and when I got home I'll have present treatment for being absent so long.—Brooklyn Life.

Risky.

"I think from the utensils about him that this mummy must have been an Egyptian plumber."

"It would be interesting to bring him back to life."
 "But too risky. Who's going to pay him for his time?"—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The "Scotch-Irish."

Are ye gamin' to the meetin', to the meetin' of the clans,
 With your tartans and your pibrochs and your bonnets and brogans

There are Neelys from New Hampshire and Mulligans from Maine,
 McCarthys from Missouri and a Tennesseesee McShane.

Kellys, Caseys, Dunns, and Daceys, by dozens and the score,
 And O'Farrell of Virginia, whom the Tributes adore.

There are Cochrans (born Corcoran) as polished as you please,
 And Kenyons who were Keemans and Murfrees once Murphys.

And we'll sit upon the pint-stoup and we'll talk of old lang syne
 As we quaff the flowing habbis to our lasses' bonnie eyne.

And we'll join in jubilation for the thing that we are not;
 For we say we are not Irish, and God knows we are not Scot!

—Boston Pilot.

Football.

Church—My son lost an eye and an arm in the Philippines.
 Gotham—Oh, has football reached there already.—Yonkers Statesman.

A Fine Distinction.

"Is her husband a medical man?"
 "No; I think he's just a specialist on somethin'."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Upon the Sea.

Upon the moonlit sea we float,
 And likewise in a little boat.
 If we the latter should ignore,
 I fear we should not float much more.

—Buffalo Express.

Stage Money.

Time is stage money to the man who is out on the highway in quest of a job.—Judge.

Human Nature.

To err is human, yes,
 And yet we know
 More human 'tis to say,
 "I told you so!"

—Detroit Free Press.

Sixth Anniversary Sale!

TO LAST SEVEN DAYS

To make room for Christmas goods, now ready to open up, we are going to offer you the best bargains of the season and merchandise that you want now.

Sale Begins Wednesday, Dec. 2d

We have only room here to mention a few of the many bargains all through the store.

6c Dark Prints, for this sale, per yard,	4 1-2c
12 1-2c Zephyrette Gingham, 28 inches wide,	7 1-2c
Fancy Flannelette, stripes and checks,	8 1-2c
\$1.00 Fleece-lined Wrappers at	49c
15c Rib-top Hose for Ladies at	10c
\$1.25 Striped Moreen Petticoats at	98c
50c Silver Belts to close at	25c
\$3.50 and \$3.00 Children's Astrachan Coats at	\$2.50
39c Baby Sacks, six different styles, at	25c
75c Sweaters for Boys and Girls at	50c
\$3.25 and \$2.75 Ladies' Sweaters at	\$2.25
75c Muslin Curtains at	50c

SHIRT WAIST SALE

You will find this the biggest Waist sale of the season. Our values are always the best, but this sale will beat all past records.

One lot of Colored Waists at	49c
One lot of Muslin Waists, odd sizes, at	79c
\$1.50 Heavy White Poplin Waists at	98c
1.25 White Madras Waists, new, at	98c
2.00 Tailor-made White and Colored Waists at	98c
2.25 and 2.98 Muslin Waists, odd sizes, at	\$1.49
2.00 Muslin Waists, Persian Trimmed, new, at	1.50

LACE WAISTS—New lot opened up today. These come in White and Ecru, some with Persian lace insertion. New sleeves. We offer them at one-third regular price, \$2.98 up. See them.

CHRISTMAS NECKWEAR

A special lot, copied from our 25c exclusive styles, one in a box, to close at 19c each. Other Neckwear styles, only found here, at 25c up.

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 By the Barre Male Chorus,

Consisting of twenty-five of the best trained voices of Barre, under the direction of L. G. Griffith, vocal instructor of Goddard Seminary, in solos, quartettes and choruses. If you want to hear the best in Barre don't miss this concert. They will be assisted by Irvin Potter, reader, and Edwin Bruce, violinist. Mr. Potter is a humorous and dramatic entertainer and will make you laugh and cry. A graduate of the Emerson School of Oratory of Boston and has taken a course in a dramatic school in London, England. Mr. Bruce is one of the best violinists in Vermont, who has taken a two years' course under one of the best instructors in Germany and Austria.

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 Doors Open at 7.15. - Concert at 8 Sharp

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